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COMMONWEALTH OFFERS MAPPING CLASSES TO LEGISLATORS AND STAFF

New Database OLIVER Provides Information on Legislative Districts

The Executive Office of Environmental Affairs, through its Office of Geographic and Environmental Information (MassGIS), has created an online mapping database called OLIVER. Classes for this new program will be held during the month of June in Boston.

OLIVER offers users the ability to search specific location in the Commonwealth and find information about these locations. The OLIVER program offers "layers" to create personalized maps. Using layers OLIVER can search parks, roads, census block groups, wetlands, underground storage tanks, dams, endangered species habitats, land use, zoning, schools, libraries and much more. Using these layers creates maps which include specific information of particular interest to the user. The information available has been used by many people and has great potential for legislators to view their district.

Paul Nutting, Education and Outreach Coordinator for MassGIS, will be conducting the classes on the new OLIVER program in Boston at 100 Cambridge Street on June 14, 21 and 28th with all classes running from 10:00 AM to 12 Noon. These classes are available free of charge and are open to all legislators and staff. Space is limited so pre-registration is necessary.

To register for classes please email Paul Nutting at Paul.Nutting@MassMail.state.ma.us

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